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SUBJECT: Allowable Uses of IMET Funds and IMET Extraordinary Expense Funds (DSCA

Policy Message 03-13) (IAPX03029)

The attached DSCA policy on use of International Military Education and Training (IMET) funds and IMET Extraordinary Expense Funds for working luncheons, light refreshments, and mementos during training under that program is forwarded for your information and action, as appropriate.

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3. THE COST OF WORKING LUNCHES PER PERSON PER TRAINING EVENT SHOULD
NOT EXCEED THE AUTHORIZED PER DIEM FOR THAT MEAL AT THAT LOCATION
EVEN IF THE COST IS A NONSEPARABLE PART OF THE COST OF RENTED
FACILITIES. THE DSCA IMET FINANCIAL MANAGER MAY APPROVE A
HIGHER COST IF JUSTIFIED. THIS JUSTIFICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE
IMET FINANCIAL MANAGER, IN THE IMET WAIVER FORMAT, AT LEAST 30 DAYS
PRIOR TO START OF THE TRAINING. IF APPROVED, THE NECESSARY FUNDS
WILL BE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY.

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- 4. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS MAY BE PAID IF PROVIDING SUCH REFRESHMENTS PREVENTS DISRUPTION OF THE TRAINING AGENDA. DOCUMENTATION MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE DSCA IMET FINANCIAL MANAGER TO SHOW THAT THERE IS FACTUALLY NO CONVENIENT SOURCE FOR ATTENDEES TO REASONABLY OBTAIN REFRESHMENTS DURING BREAKS. THIS DOCUMENTATION MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE DSCA FINANCIAL MANAGER AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF TRAINING. IF APPROVED, FUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROPERLY PROVIDED DURING BREAKS DO NOT REQUIRE A REDUCTION IN PER DIEM FOR U.S. OR FOREIGN PERSONNEL UNDER
- 5. IN-COUNTRY EXPENSES ABROAD FOR LODGING AND MEALS FOR IMET TRAINING ATTENDEES (WHETHER FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEE TRAINERS OR FOREIGN

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PERSONNEL) CANNOT EXCEED THE APPLICABLE FTR/JFTR PER DIEM FOR THAT
LOCATION AND CONSISTENT WITH THE FTR/JFTR. NEITHER CATEGORY
CAN BE REIMBURSED ON TRAVEL ORDERS FOR ANY MEALS OR LODGING
PROVIDED SEPARATELY UNDER CONTRACT. TRAVEL ALLOWANCES MUST BE
REDUCED BY THE AMOUNTS OF THE ALLOWANCES/ALLOCATIONS OF PER DIEM
SPECIFIED IN THE FTR/JFTR FOR EACH MEAL OR SERVICE FURNISHED BY
THE GOVERNMENT WITHOUT CHARGE TO THE PERSONS UNDER TRAVEL ORDERS. IN
THE RARE EVENT THAT ACTUAL EXPENSE MAY BE NECESSARY, THE IMET
FINANCIAL MANAGER AT DSCA MUST RECEIVE A WAIVER REQUEST AT LEAST 30
DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF TRAINING. THESE WAIVERS WILL
NORMALLY NOT BE GRANTED.

- 6. EXPENSES FOR EVENTS THAT DO NOT QUALIFY AS TRAINING (E.G. RECEPTIONS, GRADUATION CEREMONIES, MEMENTOS) MAY NOT BE PAID FOR WITH IMET COURSE FUNDS.
- 7. IMET EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSE FUNDS MADE SPECIFICALLY AVAILABLE FOR 'ENTERTAINMENT' MAY BE USED FOR ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES (EXCEPT THOSE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED BY LAW, E.G. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SPORTING EVENTS) AND REPRESENTATIONAL EXPENSES TO INCLUDE REASONABLE COSTS FOR RECEPTIONS, GRADUATION CEREMONIES, GIFTS AND MEMENTOS.

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8. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH THE DSCA GENERAL COUNSEL AND WITH DSCA P2 TRAINING POLICY.
9. POINT OF CONTACT IS DEBBIE SPENCER, COMM (703) 604-6577 OR DSN 664-6577.
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